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King County Veterans Program Advisory Board

Meeting Summary

November 19, 2013

WorkSource Renton

500 SW 7th Street- Renton, WA 98057

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Call to Order

King County Veterans Program Advisory Board Chair Debra Wood called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m. Salute the Flag.

Roll Call Board Members Present: David Waggoner, Scot Pondelick, Debra Wood, Don-Michael Bradford, Ray Tomlinson, Doug Hoople, Bill Wood, Matt Isenhower, , Harry Brown, Stan Gunno, Donald Key, Curtis Thompson, Michael Damon, Fred Pepper, Aries Robinson, Chuck Vitiritti, John Pruitt

Board Members Excused/Absent:

Jim Robinson, Kristina Setchfield, Art Dammkoehler, Harry Brown

County Staff Present:

Nancy Loverin DCHS –King County Veterans Program

Joel Estey DCHS – King County Veterans Program

Rita Sanchez DCHS – King County Veterans Program

Guest Present:

Review of Meeting Summary

ACTION: October 2013 minutes were approved.

Committee Reports

Executive: No Meeting

Appeals: No Meeting

Budget & Finance: No meeting.

- Budget Committee would like to see the KCVP budget for 2014
- Chairperson Debra Wood appointed, Fred Pepper and Aires Robinson to the Budget Committee
- Budget Committee will meet at the end of today's meeting to vote in a new Chairperson

Programs: Nancy Loverin – discussed the leasing paperwork for the Redmond Together Center Satellite site, awaiting paperwork to be signed. Looking into how the Together Center will be staffed.

Curtis Thompson - talked about a state wide program that is in the planning stage, initiated by the Vietnam Veteran of America called "The Basis of Agent Orange" and will take place sometime in May in a town hall format; focusing on the children and grandchildren of those

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who have been exposed to Agent Orange. If anyone is interested in participating or finding out more contact the Program Committee.

Monthly Reports- Nancy Loverin discussed the Veterans Program monthly reports. Veterans Program is on budget for the year. There has been a spike in October expenditures in the employment and career services; we are spending money on helping veterans stay in school and receive training. Nancy talked about Veterans Program still showing increases in services with rental assistance. She also talked about the financial calculator in VIBE database.

Follow-up:

- AMP Presentation at the December Meeting
- HERO Internship / Follow-up - January Meeting
- Affordable Care Act

Outreach: Joel Estey –discussed outreach, Joel goes out to seven different locations. Joel met at the Burien Senior Center and Renton Senior Center most questions and concerns are focused around medical issues, filing claims and assisted living for aging veterans. Joel is also looking into having a seminar at Lake Chelan. Joel is scheduled to meet next month with Snohomish County and Pierce County Advisor Boards to discuss CVC and the RVI.

Legislative: No legislative or finance reports

Levy Update: Curtis Thompson – discussed sitting in on Human Service Levy Board meeting the presentation was on “Youth and Young Adult Homeless Program.” They are trying to gather data to show how effective the program has been. Curtis asked the question if any of the youth are dependents of Veterans. Curtis is working through Nancy and others to make sure that those who do face to face social service in King County know that benefits are available for dependents of Veterans and where they may apply for those services.

Follow-up:

- Look into funding for Assistant Living or Retirement housing for Veterans
- Veterans Outreach /Conferences/Panels/Presentations

Old Business

- Final Copy of RVI Report December's Meeting
- Changing meeting time & locations

Chuck Vitiritti: motion on the floor to move meeting to a later time

Motion Passed

Recruiting of younger Veterans- outreach, using other tools to communicate
Creating liaison with the Veterans Group at colleges

Future Business

- VSO and the Public 2014 Annual Meeting - PSA will go out in January 2014 and a reminder letter will go out in February 2014
- Forward top three officers of your groups to Rita

Chuck Vitiritti: motion on the floor to extend meeting for another 15 minute

Motion Passed

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David Waggoner: *motion on the floor to remove James Robison from the Advisory Board unable to attend future meetings. Replace James Robinson position with Alternate Board Members Aires Robinson or Michael Damon*

Motion Passed

Chairperson Debra Wood – Appointed Alternate Aires Robinson to fill James Robinson position

Next Meeting

December 17, 2013 - West Seattle Veterans Center

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Attorney General website - Veterans Rights in the State of Washington

Public Comments

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.